Non-Deposit of P.F. Contributions by Management of NBCC

2054. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the management of the National Building Construction Corporation Limited is not regularly depositing provident fund contributions, (both shares) regularly with the provident Fund authorities;

(b) on how many occasions, did the management make default in depositing due amount with the Provident Fund authorities; and

(c) what steps will be taken to ensure that the management deposits due amount regularly in future?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY): No, Sir. M/s National Building Construction Corporation has its own Provident Fund Trust in which the amount of EPF contribution is being deposited. The management of the NBCC Ltd. is regularly depositing the amount of PF contribution for their employees within the prescribed period with their Provident Fund Board of Trustees.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Proposal for Expansion of RPDS

2055. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK:
SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI:

Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal for the further expansion of Revamped Public Distribution System in the country;

(b) if so, the State-wise steps taken in the matter;

(c) the coverage made under that programme in Orissa as on 31st March, 1995;

(d) the coverage extended as on date; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DEPTT. OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM) (SHRI VENOD SHARMA): (a) and (b) It has been decided to extend the Revamped Public Distribution System (RPDS) to all the Blocks covered under the Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS) in October 1995. The coverage has gone up from 1775 blocks to 2446 blocks. The Statewise number of blocks covered under RPDS is shown in the statement-I (see below).

(c) to (e) The number of Blocks covered under RPDS in Orissa as on 31.3.95 was 143. The coverage has now gone up to 175 Blocks. District-wise number of Blocks covered under RPDS in Orissa is given in Statement-II.

Statement-I

Number of Blocks covered under R.P.D.S.

No.	State/UT	No. of Blocks covered under EAS/RPDS
1.	A.P.	155
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	56
3.	Assam	142
4.	Bihar	266